

**IOWA SENATE**  
**Appointee Questionnaire**

Received  
Apr 12 2021  
SENATE  
State of Iowa

Return to: Secretary of the Senate  
Statehouse  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Veterans Affairs, Commission of

Body/position to which you have been appointed

Please answer all questions on this form. Answer "none" or "non-applicable" where appropriate.

1. Title Mrs First MARY Last VANHORN

Work address 4710 NW 6TH DR

Work phone 5157823217

Home County Polk

Home Congressional District Axne

State Senator Jack Whitver

State Representative Garrett Gobble

Voter Registration ☐ Democrat ☒ Republican ☐ Libertarian ☐ Other ☐ Independent/No Party

Name of Spouse Clayton

Spouse's occupation Retired

2. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

High School Des Moines Technical High Grad 1971

Higher Education DMACC Ankeny Iowa, Drake University Des Moines Iowa

3. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Present Employer Retired Employed by City of Des Moines for 36 years retiring in 2011

Occupation Neighborhood Inspections Supervisor

Summary of Duties and Responsibilities

Supervise a staff of inspectors responsible for the City of Des Moines Rental Housing, Zoning, and Environmental Health Codes. This includes oversight of all aspects of electrical, plumbing, mechanical, zoning and safety issues related to the rental housing for single family, duplex and multiple family dwellings within the corporate City limits. Additional responsibilities included the City Noise ordinance and Odor Enforcement

Former Employment (past three positions)

1. Employed by City of Des Moines for 36 years
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3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. ORGANIZATIONS: (include dates of membership, offices held and purpose of organization)

AMVETS (American Veterans) Post 2, member since 1988, Past Post Commander. Currently serving as Finance Officer, AMVETS Department of Iowa, Past State Commander 2015-2017, American Legion Post 60 since 2009, Currently Post Adjutant  
Parks Community Lions Club member since 2014, Currently serving as President since 2019, VFW Auxiliary member since 2012

5. Why do you want to become a member of this board or commission?

I have enjoyed the past 5 years of service on the commission and look forward to continuing the outreach work that the position allows as part of the commission. As a Vietnam Era Veteran I like working with the returning veterans and ensuring that they receive the benefits and services they are entitled to. I look forward to continuing this outreach.

6. Do you know why you were nominated to the board or commission?

Work with AMVETS Department of Iowa.

7. If you were appointed to a licensing or examining board, have you ever been in contact with this board? If so, give details of contact.

None

8. Do you know of any conflicts you have or may have in serving as a member of this board or commission? If so, please qualify.

I have not encountered a conflict over the past 5 years and do not believe I would have one.

9. Do you know any of the other appointees to this board or commission or any of its present members? If so, please give their names and your association with them.

I know all the commissioners as I have worked with them off and on the past 5 years. I do not have a personal relationship with any of them other than the work I have done with them as part of the Commission.